(b) and (c) The number of people likely to be benefited by the project from flood protection and irrigation facility is much more than the number of likely Project Affected People. The apprehension of some of the people is that adequate compensation would not be given to the displaced persons. Brahmaputra Board who has taken up execution of the project has organized public meetings and awareness measures in association with Government of Assam to explain the compensation packages to Project Affected people considering the apprehensions. There is no proposal to shift the project as there is no alternative site available.

(d) No, Sir.

Clearance of Sripada Sagar Project

249. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for clearance of Sripada Sagar project (Yellampally Project State-I and State-II);

(b) if so, the present Status of the proposal; and

(c) by when, the above proposal is likely to be cleared by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) Preliminary report of Sripada Sagar (Yellampally) project received during May 2005 Central Water Commission is under appraisal. Comments on Hydrology and Interstate matters were sent to state Government on 18th August 2006 and 11th December 2006 respectively. Replies from State Government is awaited.

The requisite clearance to the project proposal depends on promptness with which State Government replies to the observations of the Central Appraising Agencies.

Irrigated surface water and ground water

250. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) how much area is irrigated by surface water and how much by